ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A multi-stage automatic transmission for a motor vehicle with standard drive has one overdrive front-mounted gearset which is connected with one input shaft, a multi-member main gearset connected with one output shaft and connectable with one output element of the front-mounted gearset, the same as six shifting elements by the selective paired closing of which preferably eight forward gears can be engaged without range shifting. The main gearset comprises three rearmounted gearsets whose three sun gears are interconnected and can be connected with the output element of the front-mounted gearset and with the input shaft.